

POLLUTION CONTROL DIVISION
300 PUBLIC HEALTH CENTER
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MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. 55415
DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONS
SOL J. JACOBS, DIRECTOR
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MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55415



September 27, 1985

Mr. Jack Baba
W R GRACE AND COMPANY
1720 Madison Street Northeast
Mpls., MN 55413

US EPA RECORDS CENTER REGION 5



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Dear Mr. Baba:

As I mentioned to you on the phone, this office has been receiving complaints about noise from your mechanical equipment which has been running 24 hours a day at your place of business. Noise measurements were taken at 4:30 P.M. on September 26, 1985, and gave consistent levels of 64-66 dBA. The maximum allowable levels after 10:00 P.M. are 50 dBA--(See enclosed Noise Standards).

Because of the above, this department orders that the mechanical equipment causing the noise violation not be used after 10:00 P.M. or prior to 7:00 A.M. Monday through Friday or prior to 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, Sundays or legal holidays.

This department further orders that the equipment is to be shut down by 6:00 P.M. if compliance with City Ordinance 389.60 is not being fully complied with prior to October 15, 1985.

If you have any questions regarding these orders, please call 348-7897.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Glenn D. Kiecker".

Glenn D. Kiecker
Pollution Control Specialist
348-7897

BDK:B

ENCLOSURE: Noise Standards.

ADDRESS 1720 NE Madison Street

WIND-ODOR

COMPANY/INDIVIDUAL GRACE COMPANY

Pollution Category

DATE COMPLAINT (Old Zonolite Plant)

Phone

JACK BABA

1985

7/31/85 3:45 P.M. - PER - RE: ODOR-Wind is coming from Grace.....
hot, burning smell since early this A.M. - see also.

9/26/85 - COMPL:

(55413)

RE: NOISE from fan--runs all night--starts at 5:00 A.M. used to shut down
at 11:00 P.M. now runs all night--very, very disturbing--cannot sleep at all.
PERMITS OK.

9/26/85 PER H. H. W. I called W R Grace & Co at #789-8845 and talke with Jack
Baba--He said that they started running 24 hours 6 days a week abo1 month ago.
He said we should come by--I said we would try to stop by this P.M.

10/1/85 - W. H. D. 385.100 - See orders See file.

10/7/85 - ATTEMPTED TO CALL COMPLAINER - NO ANSWER.

10/16/85 - LOST Night. It is quieter but still is A PROBLEM. says it is still running ALL Night-ran all night.